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High Risk of Rip Currents Remain in Effect; Avoid Hazardous Surf through Wednesday

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast office continues to monitor all activity in the region. The following advisories remain in effect:

A high risk of rip currents remains in effect for Guam, Rota, Tinian, and Saipan, through Wednesday afternoon. Dangerous rip currents are expected along east facing reefs. Rip currents can sweep even the best swimmers away from the shore into deeper water. Inexperienced swimmers should remain out of the water due to dangerous surf conditions. If caught in a rip current, do not swim against the current. Swim in a direction following the shoreline, face the shore and call or wave for help.

A **thunderstorm advisory** remains in effect for the Guam International Airport until 12 p.m. Thunderstorms are occurring within 20 nautical miles of the airport. Be alert and take precautions as required. If lightning is seen or thunder is heard, remain indoors.

For the remainder of the day, it is expected to be cloudy and breezy with occasional showers and isolated thunderstorms. East winds of 20 to 25 mph are expected. The heaviest of showers are expected to taper off by this evening.

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD) remind the community to avoid hazardous sea and surf, especially east facing reefs and beaches. Heed the advice of lifeguards, beach patrol flags, and signs. Practice caution while traveling in rainy conditions, driving below the speed limit and allowing enough braking distance between vehicles.

Visit the following links for the latest advisory information:

- NWS Website: https://www.weather.gov/gum/
- NWS Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/NWSGuam/
- GHS/OCD Website: https://ghs.guam.gov/
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